

# Classes of Mishaps

Mishaps are classified by their severity. The initial classification of a mishap may change as more accurate information is obtained. The following are the three classes of mishaps:

## **Class A Mishap:**

- When the total cost of damages to Department of Defense or non-DoD property equals \$1 million or more or
- When a DoD aircraft is destroyed, or
- When someone is killed or suffers a permanent total disability due to a mishap or occupational illness

## **Class B Mishap:**

- When the total cost of damages to DoD or non-DoD property is \$200,000 or greater but less than \$1 million, or
- When someone suffers a permanent partial disability or
- When three or more personnel are hospitalized for inpatient care as a result of a single mishap.

## **Class C Mishap:**

- When the total cost of damages to DoD or non-DoD property is \$20,000 or more, but less than \$200,000, or
- When a non-fatal injury causes any lost time from work beyond the day in which it occurred, or
- When a nonfatal occupational illness causes loss of time from work or disability at any time.

*Note: Rules vary for reporting military and civilian mishaps. ♦*

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